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## ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

The instant invention provides a method for treating and/or reducing the risk for atherosclerosis, pulmonary fibrosis and stroke, comprising administering an effective amount of a cysteinyl leukotriene 2 receptor antagonist, including a selective cysteinyl leukotriene 2 receptor antagonist and a dual cysteinyl leukotriene 1 receptor and cysteinyl leukotriene 2 receptor antagonist to a patient in need of such treatment.